



**GEORGIA GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY &
CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION**

Administrative Dismissal

TO: David H. Emadi
Executive Secretary

FROM: Joseph M. Cusack
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DATE: May 25, 2021

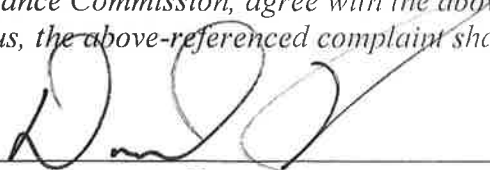
RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DISMISSAL
In the Matter of Travis Gatson
Case Number: 20-0061-C

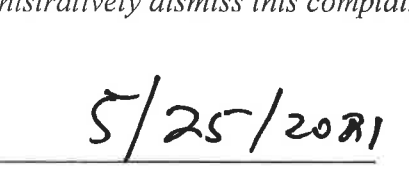
On September 8, 2020, the Commission received a complaint filed by Daniel J. Porter ("Complainant") against Travis Gatson ("Respondent"). Complainant alleges that Respondent violated the Act by accepting and giving an agency contribution in violation of O.C.G.A. § 21-5-30.2.

Respondent served as the chairman and treasurer for the Patsy Austin-Gatson for Gwinnett County District Attorney Campaign ("Campaign"). A comprehensive investigation which encompassed this Complaint and Case 20-0060-C *In the Matter of Patsy Austin-Gatson* was conducted by Commission Staff and it was determined the Campaign had impermissibly accepted campaign contributions in violation of O.C.G.A. § 21-5-30.2. As an agent for the Campaign, Respondent's violation was punished in Case 20-0060-C and a fine was subsequently paid for that conduct. As such, this claim, and issue has been decided and is precluded from being litigated again.

Since this claim and issue has been decided, there is no basis to proceed. Based upon the forgoing analysis, this complaint should be administratively dismissed pursuant to Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. 189-2-.03(5).

I, David H. Emadi Executive Secretary of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, agree with the above analysis to administratively dismiss this complaint. Thus, the above-referenced complaint shall stand dismissed.


David H. Emadi, Executive Secretary


5/25/2021
Date